## Exeter Borough Council REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING August 7, 2018

7:00 P.M.

Meeting called to order by Council Chairman Richard Murawski. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Mr. Morgan, Mr. Balent, Ms. DeRoberto (via phone), Mr. Dellegrotto, Mr.

Esposito, Mr. Murawski, Mayor Adams

Absent; Mr. Pizano

Atty. Hassey stated that Council meet in Executive Session at 6:30 tonight to discuss a personnel matter and to discuss the purchase of property.

Mayor Adam named Shirley Gerchak as the, "Person of the Month".

Ashburn Advisors gave Council an update on grant applications made on behalf of Exeter Borough.

Motion to approve the July 3, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Treasurer Report provided by Debra Serbin

Motion to accept the Treasurers Report. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Citizens Input (agenda items only) Ron Rome of Wyoming Ave asked who is responsible for the motion on the addenda limiting the public to five minutes per speaker. Mr. Murawski stated he asked that this be put on the agenda. Mr. Rome also stated he would like to have Exeter residents appointed to perform the oral examination for the Civil Service process.

Correspondence – letter from the Wyoming Area Football Association requesting traffic control for their October 24<sup>th</sup> parade. Letter from Exeter Proud requesting traffic for their October 27<sup>th</sup> Color Run.

Refuse Report– Lynda Hyzenski, report on file.

Recycling Report – no report.

Reports of Committees

Police – Joseph Esposito, Larry Dellegrotto & Betty Ann DeRoberto. Call for the month are 180.

Finance & Insurance (Grants) Larry Dellegrotto, Joseph Esposito and Betty Ann DeRoberto.

Exeter Borough received the new insurances for 2018/2019 with a slight increase in premiums. Finance committee working to transfer the street lighting to LED. Also researching putting lights on W. Packer Ave.

Fire Department – John Morgan & Joseph Pizano – 576 calls year to date. Report on file.

Zoning – Joseph Pizano & Larry Dellegrotto – Report on file.

Street/Recycling –Betty Ann DeRoberto & David Balent – An update of the paving projects was given.

Hicks Creek – Joseph Pizano, John Morgan & David Balent – Nothing at this time.

Parks & Recreation – Betty Ann DeRoberto & John Morgan – Nothing at this time.

Solicitors Report – Attorney Hassey, spoke about Lehigh Construction property rezoning. The Borough Engineer will research the matter.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Motion to increase Scott Hughes hourly rate to \$11.00 per hour. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to restripe the new police vehicle. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan, Roll Call: Mr. Morgan – yes, Mr. Balent – yes, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Murawski – yes, Ms. DeRoberto – yes, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion to accept the prepaid bills in the amount of \$26,710.49. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to implement as official policy a five minute time limit per speaker at Exeter Borough Council Meeting. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, motion died for lack of a second on the motion.

Motion to approve the appointment of William Goldsworthy, Barry Stankus and Adam Limongelli to the Oral Examination Review Board for Exeter Civil Service Commission. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto, Roll Call: Mr. Morgan – no, Mr. Balent – no, Mr. Dellegrotto – yes, Mr. Murawski – yes, Ms. DeRoberto – yes, Mr. Esposito – yes.

Motion to accept the release agreement between Exeter Borough, and the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge 36 and Leonard Galli. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept pay application #2 from Hawk Valley Associates in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the Exeter Borough/Exeter Proud Professional Planning and Consulting Services. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept Change Order #1 an increase of \$106,250.00 to slip line the entire sanitary sewer main line throughout the project area associated with the Stevens, Jesse and Bennett Streets Sanitary & Storm Sewer Project – Phase 1. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept pay application #4 from Leeward Construction in the amount of \$26,010.00 for the Stevens, Jesse and Bennett Streets Sanitary & Storm Sewer Project – Phase 1. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept pay request #1 from Krasavage Construction in the amount of \$4,777.65 for the Susquehanna Ave Sanitary & Storm Sewer Project. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Dellegrotto and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the proposal from D & H Sealcoating for crack repair and seal coating and stripping work at the Street/Recycling Center at a cost of \$9,589.00 under the Recycling Program 902 Grant. 1st Mr. Esposito, 2nd Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

Motion to accept the proposal from Platukus Electric for electrical work associated with the automatic electric gate, at a cost of \$1,060.00 under the Recycling Program 902 Grant. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan and unanimously carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion to accept the current bills in the amount of \$219,941.60. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ms. DeRoberto and unanimously carried.

Motion to hire Lee Hampton of W. Wyoming as a part time as needed fire truck driver. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Morgan unanimously carried.

Motion to hire Ralph Dixon of W. Pittston as a part time as needed fire truck driver. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Morgan, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Esposito and unanimously carried.

Motion to hire Patricia Martinez of Schooley Ave a part time as needed substitute crossing guard. 1<sup>st</sup> Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

## Open to the Public:

Elana Hollaren of 101Aster Court asked why the creek has not been cut. Mr. Murawski said the weather this season has been too wet to cut the creek.

Robert Brozell informed Council that trespassing has been accruing on the church property. He will address the matter with the Police department.

Pat Morgan of Lincoln St. wants the grass cut by the rail road tracks for the safety of the children when walking to school.

Rene Valenti of Anthracite St. wants Council to develop a procedure for the pumping water from in front of her home.

Mike Flannery of 500 Schooley Ave asked about sidewalks on Schooley Ave. He was informed that Schooley Ave is a state road.

Adjournment, Mr. Esposito, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mr. Balent and unanimously carried.

Prepared and submitted by Debra Serbin